

may be consulted regularly or from time to time by the Authority, and, upon the invitation of the Authority, shall attend meetings of the Authority, either as a group or individually. The Authority shall submit to the council all proposals [[which may or will materially affect the interests of market tenants or operations]] ON MATTERS WHICH DIRECTLY RELATE TO THE OPERATING PROCEDURES OF THE PRODUCE MARKET FACILITY IN THE MARKET, and shall give sufficient notice to the council of these proposals to allow the council to submit to the Authority comments and recommendations concerning such proposals. These comments and recommendations must be considered by the Authority before action on the proposals, but they shall not be in any way binding upon the Authority. The council must submit its comments and recommendations to the Authority within thirty days after receipt by it of these proposals from the Authority, unless the Authority deems the matter involved to be of such urgency as to require prompt action, in which case the council shall submit its comments and recommendations within five days. [[FAILURE BY THE AUTHORITY TO CONSULT WITH THE COUNCIL TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS TO THE COUNCIL, OR TO CONSIDER THE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COUNCIL, DOES NOT AFFECT THE VALIDITY OF THE AUTHORITY'S ACTS.]]

[(b) The advisory council shall be composed of a representative of each of the following areas concerned with market operations: (1) seafood; (2) butter, eggs and dairy products; (3) fresh fruits and vegetables; (4) meats; (5) groceries; (6) poultry; (7) commercial storage; (8) transportation; (9) growers; and (10) dean of the College of Agriculture of the University of Maryland, who shall be an ex officio member, and (11) a representative of the State Department of Health who shall also be an ex officio member. The Authority, except with respect to the ex officio member of the council, shall determine the method by which the members are selected.]

(B) THE ADVISORY COUNCIL IS COMPOSED OF 11 MEMBERS. IF AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AUTHORITY HAS BEEN APPOINTED BY THE AUTHORITY, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL BE AN EX OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL, AND HIS TENURE OF OFFICE SHALL COINCIDE WITH THE TERM FOR WHICH HE SHALL HOLD THE POSITION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AUTHORITY. THE EX OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL HAS ALL RIGHTS INCIDENTAL TO MEMBERSHIP ON THE COUNCIL, EXCEPT THAT HE DOES NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOTE ON MATTERS COMING BEFORE THE COUNCIL. HOWEVER, THE EX OFFICIO MEMBER MAY PARTICIPATE IN ALL DISCUSSIONS ON THOSE MATTERS AND TO BE PRESENT AT THE TIME OF THE VOTE. IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN THE POSITION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THE EX OFFICIO SEAT ON THE COUNCIL SHALL BE TAKEN BY THE INTERIM OR PERMANENT SUCCESSOR TO THAT POSITION. IN THE EVENT